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Project Summary	Provide support to the VHA Library Network Office and Central Office Library in a wide variety of library projects.
Country	United States

Project Description

During this internship, potential projects include:

- Submit requests for cataloging of historical documents
- Update the Central Office Library’s journal holdings in the National Library of Medicine’s interlibrary loan system
- Work on VA history project by curating VA publications that are accessible in institutional repositories at universities, state and federal agencies, open access/source platforms, etc. and export into an Excel file.
- Review and update interlibrary loan publisher’s copyright guidelines for Central Office Library’s journal subscriptions; review publisher policies regarding copyright, self-archiving and open access.
- Review and make changes to Serials Solutions (e-resource access and management system) accounts for each VA medical center (153 accounts)
- Assist with changes to the National Library of Medicine’s LinkOut program for each VA library
- Assist with the roll out of a national integrated library system to approximately 100 libraries
- Assist with research for VHA program offices by conducting searches on a variety of medical/health databases

Required Skills or Interests

Skill(s)

Editing and proofreading

Research

Writing

Additional Information

Preference is for a student pursuing a degree in Library and Information Science. An interest in health science and medicine is desirable, but not required. Familiarity with Integrated Library Systems and databases such as PubMed, Web of Science, and Lexis/Nexis are a plus.

The Library Network Office and Central Office Library are a small team of dedicated librarians and support staff whose main responsibility is the support of clinicians and staff who strive to provide the highest level of patient care to our nation's Veterans. The completion of the projects described would accelerate our ability to move forward on efforts that would take our small team quite a while to undertake and complete, and will allow us to continue to focus our efforts to make quality evidence-based easily accessible throughout the VA network.

Language Requirements

None